

compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino, who was introduced by Senator Rubio, and Kathleen Troia McFarland, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, who was introduced by former Senator Lieberman, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Christopher A. Wray, of Georgia, to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Beth Ann Williams, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Attorney General, John W. Huber, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah, Justin E. Herdman, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio, and John E. Town, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Alabama, all of the Department of Justice, and Trevor N. McFadden, of Virginia, to

be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Thomas G. Bowman, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary, Brooks D. Tucker, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary (Congressional and Legislative Affairs), and James Byrne, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and Michael P. Allen, of Florida, Amanda L. Meredith, of Virginia, and Joseph L. Toth, of Wisconsin, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 32 public bills, H.R. 3321–3325; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 111–113; H. Con. Res. 70; and H. Res. 462–467, were introduced. **Pages H6144–46**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H6147**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 2370, to authorize Escambia County, Florida, to convey certain property that was formerly part of Santa Rosa Island National Monument and that was conveyed to Escambia County subject to restrictions on use and reconveyance (H. Rept. 115–236). **Page H6144**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act of 2017: H.R. 2825, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Homeland Security, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas to 41 nays, Roll No. 403.

Pages H6047–H6120, H6128

King Cove Road Land Exchange Act: The House passed H.R. 218, to provide for the exchange of Federal land and non-Federal land in the State of Alaska for the construction of a road between King Cove

and Cold Bay, by a yea-and-nay vote of 248 yeas to 179 nays, Roll No. 406. **Pages H6120–28, H6128–31**

Rejected the Garamendi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by voice vote. **Pages H6130–31**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 115–27 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H6124**

Agreed to:

Young (AK) amendment (No. 2 printed in part C of H. Rept. 115–235) that amends section 7 to conform the text of H.R. 218 with the Senate text, S. 101. **Pages H6126–27**

Rejected:

Tsongas amendment (No. 1 printed in part C of H. Rept. 115–235) that sought to require mitigation measures, previously adopted in Public Law 111–11, to ensure that impacts to migratory birds, wildlife, and wetlands are minimized (by a recorded vote of 190 yeas to 234 noes, Roll No. 404); and **Pages H6125–26, H6129**

Grijalva amendment (No. 3 printed in part C of H. Rept. 115–235) that sought to prohibit the Act from taking effect until \$20 million in federal funds

given to Alaska for transportation purposes in King Cove is repaid to the Federal Government (by a recorded vote of 167 ayes to 260 noes, Roll No. 405).

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H. Res. 454, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2910), (H.R. 2883), and (H.R. 218) was agreed to yesterday, July 19th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Monday, July 24th for Morning Hour debate.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6128, H6129, H6129–30, and H6131. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EXAMINING BIPARTISAN LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE THE MEDICARE PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining Bipartisan Legislation to Improve the Medicare Program”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MONETARY POLICY V. FISCAL POLICY: RISKS TO PRICE STABILITY AND THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade held a hearing entitled “Monetary Policy v. Fiscal Policy: Risks to Price Stability and the Economy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

GANGS IN OUR COMMUNITIES: DRUGS, HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AND VIOLENCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Gangs in Our Communities: Drugs, Human Trafficking, and Violence”. Testimony was heard from Kenneth Blanco, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Depart-

ment of Justice; Chris Marks, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; and public witnesses.

SEEKING INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF HARDROCK MINING

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Seeking Innovative Solutions for the Future of Hardrock Mining”. Testimony was heard from Bret Parke, Deputy Director, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality; Murray Hitzman, Associate Director for Energy and Minerals, U.S. Geological Survey; and public witnesses.

21ST CENTURY MEDICINE: HOW TELEHEALTH CAN HELP RURAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy, and Trade; and Subcommittee on Health and Technology held a joint hearing entitled “21st Century Medicine: How Telehealth Can Help Rural Communities”. Testimony was heard from A. Nicole Clowers, Managing Director, Health Care Team, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.J. Res. 111, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to “Arbitration Agreements”; and H.R. 3219, the “Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2018”, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.